

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

DR. RACHEL LANCE,

Plaintiff,

v.

DUKE UNIVERSITY,

Defendant.

1:23CV666

**STIPULATION OF VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL**

The parties to this action, by and through undersigned counsel, pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(ii) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, hereby stipulate that this action and all claims that were or could have been asserted in this action are DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE with each party to bear its own costs and attorneys' fees.

Respectfully submitted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025, the foregoing **Stipulation of Voluntary Dismissal** was filed electronically with the Clerk of the Court via the CM/ECF program which will send notification providing a link to the file-stamped document of such filing to the following registered users via electronic mail:

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